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Separation 'Steel Plate Shipment to Austria

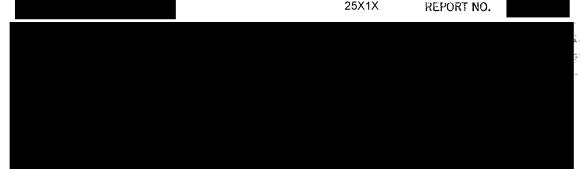
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- 1. The SS EXCELLENCY, United States registry, arrived in Trieste on 6 September 1950 with a shipment of 121,969 kilograms of steel plate, described as tinwill black plate rejects, in 208 bundles. Shipped by the Greenwich Overseas Comporation, the steel plate was loaded aboard the EXCELLENCY on 18 August 1950 with non-negotiable bill of lading number 44 on which no export license mor ECA numbers were listed. In addition, the bill of lading listed A. Prezioso and Co., Trieste, as the "ultimate consignee" but bore the notation that the shipment was in transit to Austria.
- 2. The shipment was handled in Trieste by A. Prezioso and Co., a freight forward to agency at Via Crispi 23, and on or about o September it was dispatched to the Intercentinentale A.G., freight forwarders, Vienna, to be ubloaded at Wien-Donaumfer Bahmhof, Anschlussgeleise, Trisengasse.* No final destination was 1
- The shipment left Trieste in railroad cars and was broken down as follows:

Weight in kilos	Railroad car number	Weight in Kilos	Railroad car
14,819	6963	15,057	151562
15,032	6950	15,288	8118
35,070	1.02669	15,123	1150724
35,809	1.004068	15,380	1000375

Comment: In the past, Prezioso has handled the plate shipments for Yugo slavin from the United States. It is considered suspect that this firm should engaged for the trans ort of a shipment from Trieste to Intercontinentale A.G. vienna, when the latter firm has a branch office in Trieste which could have bandled the shipment from the outset at less expense and trouble. It is also considered strange by local shipping authorities that all of the copies of the bill of lading for shipping the steel plate from Trieste to Vienna by rail were sent to Vienna instand of retaining at least one co, y in Prezioco's files as is customary and required.

Corment: Your attention is drawn to the fact that there was an uncovinined discrepancy between the weight of steel plate listed on the SS IXCLIBECT bill of lading and that shipped from Trieste to Austria.

Comment: A photostatic copy of the SS NCELLINGY bill of lading val be available in the CTA Library upon request.

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